



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT – FIFTH SESSION

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2026 AT 9.30 A.M.

1. The House assembled at Thirty Minutes past Nine O'clock.
2. The Proceedings were opened with Prayer.
3. **Presiding** – the Fifth Chairperson of Committees.

4. QUORUM AT COMMENCEMENT OF THE HOUSE

There being no Quorum present at the commencement of the House, the Fifth Chairperson of Committees ordered the Quorum Bell to be rung for ten minutes;

And Quorum having been attained within the ten minutes, business commenced.

5. PAPERS

The following Papers were laid on the Table of the House—

- (i) National Governments Constituencies Development Fund Board Report for the First Quarter of 2026/27 Financial Year;
- (ii) Reports of the Auditor-General and Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2025 and the certificates therein in respect of the following –
 - (a) Moi Nyabohanse Girls' Senior School; and
 - (b) Kwale High School.
- (iii) Reports of the Auditor-General and Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2026 and the certificates therein in respect of the following –
 - (a) Danida Primary Health Care (PHC) Support Program – State Department for Medical Services;
 - (b) Kenya Industry and Entrepreneurship Project (IDA CREDIT No. 6268 -KE) - State Department for Industry;
 - (c) Horn of Africa Gateway Development Project (IDA Credit No.6768-KE) – Information and Communications Technology Authority;
 - (d) Eastern Africa Regional Transport, Trade and Development Facilitation Project (IDA Credit No. 5638-KE) – Kenya Revenue Authority – Information and Communications Technology Authority;
 - (e) European Widows' and Orphans Pension Fund - National Treasury;
 - (f) Kenya Devolution Support Programme II (Grant/Credit No. IDA -7447-KE - County Government of Vihiga;
 - (g) Reproductive, Maternal, Neonatal, Child and Adolescent Health (RMNCAH) Project Grant/Credit ID 6072 – Ministry of Health;
 - (h) Kenya Secondary Education Equity and Quality Improvement (SEEQIP) Program IDA Loan Credit Number 7642-KE and Grant No. E376-KE - Teachers Service Commission; and

- (i) Global Fund Project - to contribute to achieving Vision 2030 through universal access to comprehensive HIV Prevention, Treatment, and Care Grant Number: KEN -H-TNT-4147 – National Syndemic Disease Control Council.

(Deputy Majority Party whip)

6. QUESTIONS

Question No. 026/2026 was asked by the Member for Kathiani (Hon. Robert Mbui) to the Teachers Service Commission regarding the schools' staffing requirements in each of the two hundred and ninety (290) constituencies in the country, the number of teachers required, the number in post, the staffing deficit or surplus, and the deficit as a percentage of the required staffing levels.

7. STATEMENTS

(a) Request for Statements pursuant to Standing Order 44(2)(c)

Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Orders 44(2)(c)—

- (i) the Member for Msambweni (Hon. Feisal Bader) requested for a Statement from the Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Education regarding Payment rates for supervision and invigilation of the 2025 national examinations and assessments;
- (ii) the Member for Wajir South (Hon. Mohamed Adow) requested for a Statement from the Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Energy regarding Power blackout in *Habaswein* Town and surrounding areas;
- (iii) the Member for Kwale County (Hon. Fatuma Masito) requested for a Statement from the Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Energy regarding Arbitrary disconnection of electricity in Kwale County;
- (iv) the Member for Kigumo (Hon. Joseph Munyoro) requested for a Statement from the Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Finance and National Planning regarding Revenue leakages, tax base expansion and tax fraud in Kenya;
- (v) the Member for Machakos (Hon. Joyce Kamene) requested for a Statement from the Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Finance and National Planning regarding Delayed settlement of defined benefit pensions scheme dues; and
- (vi) the Member for Masinga (Hon. Joshua Mwalyo) requested for a Statement from the Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Environment, Forestry and Mining regarding the dumping of avocado waste and the resultant pollution of River Tana.

(b) Response to Statements pursuant to Standing Order 44(2)(c)

- (i) The Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Administration and Internal Security issued a response to a Statement requested by the Member for Mukurweini (Hon. John Kaguchia) regarding Production, distribution and regulation of third-generation alcoholic beverages; and

- (ii) The Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Administration and Internal Security tabled a response to a Statement requested by the Member for Laisamis (Joseph Lekuton) regarding Armed banditry attack in Laisamis Constituency.

8. THE SEXUAL OFFENCES (AMENDMENT) BILL NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 50 OF 2025

Motion made and Question proposed—

THAT, the Sexual Offences (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 50 of 2025) be now read a Second Time.

(Hon. Udgoon Siyad – 30.09.2026)

Debate having been concluded on Wednesday, October 7, 2026 (Morning Sitting);

Question put and agreed to.

Bill read a Second Time and committed to Committee of the Whole House tomorrow.

9. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE

Order for Committee read;

IN THE COMMITTEE

The Sixth Chairperson in the Chair

(i) The Breastfeeding Mothers Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 8 of 2024)

Clause 3 - agreed to.

Clause 4 - amendment proposed –

THAT, Clause 4 of the Bill be amended in subclause (3) by inserting the following new paragraph immediately after paragraph (b)—

“(ba) provide for a care giver to take care of a baby while at the lactation place;”

(Vice-Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Social Protection)

Question on the amendment proposed;

There being no debate arising;

Question on the amendment put and agreed to;

Clause 4 as amended - agreed to.

Clauses 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 - agreed to.

Clause 11 - amendment proposed –

THAT, Clause 11 of the Bill be amended in subclause (2) by deleting the words “and certification” appearing in paragraph (g) and substituting therefore the words “certification and monitoring.”

(Vice-Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Social Protection)

Question on the amendment proposed;
There being no debate arising;

Question on the amendment put and agreed to;

Clause 11 as amended - agreed to.

Clause 2 - amendment proposed -

THAT, Clause 2 of the Bill be amended in the definition of the term “baby” by deleting the words “within zero to twenty-four months” and substituting therefor the words “within zero to thirty-six months”

(Vice-Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Social Protection)

Question on the amendment proposed;

There being no debate arising;

Question on the amendment put and agreed to;

Clause 2 as amended - agreed to.

Title - agreed to.

Clause 1 - agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

(ii) The Environmental Professionals Institute of Kenya Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 36 of 2024)

Clause 3 - agreed to.

Clause 4 - amendment proposed -

THAT, Clause 4 of the Bill be amended in sub-clause (2) by—

- (a) deleting the words ‘people engaged in the field of environment’ appearing in paragraph (e) and substituting therefor the words “environmental professionals”;
- (b) deleting the word ‘network’ appearing in paragraph (f) and substituting therefor the word “collaborate”; and
- (c) inserting the words “in consultation with the members of the Institute” immediately before the word “determine” appearing in paragraph (n).

(Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Environment, Forestry and Mining)

Question on the amendment proposed;

There being no debate arising;

Question on the amendment put and agreed to;

Clause 4 as amended - agreed to.

Clauses 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 - agreed to.

Clause 11 - amendment proposed –

THAT, Clause 11 of the Bill be amended by inserting the following new paragraph immediately after paragraph (c)—

(ca) has at least five years' experience in a position of senior management.

(Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Environment, Forestry and Mining)

Question on the amendment proposed;

Debate arising;

Question on the amendment put and agreed to;

Clause 11 as amended - agreed to.

Clauses 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18 - agreed to.

Clause 19 - amendment proposed –

THAT, Clause 19 of the Bill be amended—

(a) in sub-clause (2) by—

(i) deleting paragraph (a) and substituting therefor the following new paragraph—

(a) lead members comprising of members of the Institute who are registered under section 21 and who become lead members pursuant to subsection 2A;

(ii) deleting paragraph (c) and substituting therefor the following new paragraph—

(c) Honorary members comprising of persons who become honorary members pursuant to subsection (4);

(iii) deleting the words “corporate members” appearing in paragraph (e) and substituting therefor the words “environmental firms”;

(b) by inserting the following new sub-clause immediately after sub-clause (2)—

(2A) A member of the Institute may be registered as a lead member if the person holds—

(a) a doctorate degree in a relevant field from a university recognized in Kenya and has at least two years professional experience;

(b) a masters degree in a relevant field from a university recognized in Kenya and has at least three years professional experience; or

(c) a degree in a relevant field from a university recognized in Kenya and has at least eight years professional experience.

(c) by deleting the word “fellow” appearing in sub-clause (4) and substituting therefor the word “member”;

(d) by deleting the word “fellow” appearing in sub-clause (5) and substituting therefor the word “member”;

(Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Environment, Forestry and Mining)

Question on the amendment proposed;

There being no debate arising;

Question on the amendment put and agreed to;

Clause 19 as amended - agreed to.

Clause 20 - agreed to.

Clause 21 - amendment proposed –

THAT, Clause 21 of the Bill is amended in paragraph (c) by deleting the words “or research” appearing immediately after the word “sciences”.

(Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Environment, Forestry and Mining)

Question on the amendment proposed;

There being no debate arising;

Question on the amendment put and agreed to;

Clause 21 as amended - agreed to.

Clauses 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30 - agreed to.

Clauses 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39 and 40 - agreed to.

Clauses 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49 and 50 - agreed to.

Clause 51 - amendment proposed –

THAT, Clause 51 of the Bill is amended in sub-clause (2) by inserting the following new paragraphs immediately after paragraph (h)—

(ha) prescribe the grounds for, and procedure relating to suspension or expulsion of members of the Institute;

(hb) provide for the resignation of members from the Institute;

(hc) provide for the recognition and competencies of chapters of the Institute or other local formations within the chapters;

(hd) prescribe the functions and powers of the chapters of the Institute and sources of funding of the activities of the chapters;

(he) provide for the membership, governance of the chapters of the Institute and the regulation of the conduct of business by the chapters;

(Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Environment, Forestry and Mining)

Question on the amendment proposed;

There being no debate arising;

Question on the amendment put and agreed to;

Clause 51 as amended - agreed to.

Clause 52 - agreed to.

First Schedule - amendment proposed—

THAT, the Bill be amended in the First Schedule by inserting the following new paragraph immediately after paragraph 2—

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| Assumption of office. | 3. (1) The president, the vice-president and the members of the Council shall assume office immediately after the ordinary general meeting of the Institute next following an election of the members of the Council, and shall hold office for a period of three years, ending at the conclusion of the annual general meeting held in the third year, after their election. |
| | (2) Where the president, the vice-president or member of the Council dies, resigns or is removed from office before the expiry of the term of office, the vacancy created shall be filled in such manner as provided in the regulations. |

(Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Environment, Forestry and Mining)

Question on the amendment proposed;

There being no debate arising;

Question on the amendment put and agreed to;

First Schedule as amended - agreed to.

Second Schedule - agreed to.

Clause 2 - amendment proposed—

THAT, Clause 2 of the Bill be amended in the definition of “environmental professional” by deleting the words “or research” appearing immediately after the word “sciences”.

(Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Environment, Forestry and Mining)

Question on the amendment proposed;

There being no debate arising;

Question on the amendment put and agreed to;

Clause 2 as amended - agreed to.

Title - agreed to.

Clause 1 - agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

10. HOUSE RESUMED - the Fifth Chairperson in the Chair

(i) The Breastfeeding Mothers Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 8 of 2024)

Bill reported with amendments.

Motion made and Question proposed –

THAT, this House do agree with the Report of the Committee of the Whole House on its consideration of the Breastfeeding Mothers Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 8 of 2024).

(Hon. Sabina Chege)

There being no debate arising;

Question put and agreed to.

Motion made and Question proposed –

THAT, the Breastfeeding Mothers Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 8 of 2024) be now read a Third Time.

(Hon. Sabina Chege)

There being no debate arising;

Question put and agreed to.

Bill read a Third Time and passed.

(ii) The Environmental Professionals Institute of Kenya Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 36 of 2024)

Bill reported with amendments.

Motion made and Question proposed –

THAT, this House do agree with the Report of the Committee of the Whole House on its consideration of the Environmental Professionals Institute of Kenya Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 36 of 2024).

(Hon. George Gachagua)

There being no debate arising;

Question put and agreed to.

Motion made and Question proposed –

THAT, the Environmental Professionals Institute of Kenya Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 36 of 2024) be now read a Third Time.

(Hon. George Gachagua)

There being no debate arising;

Question put and agreed to.

Bill read a Third Time and passed.

11. MOTION: 002/2026 – FORMULATION OF A POLICY ON STRUCTURED ENGAGEMENT OF NATIONAL YOUTH SERVICE GRADUATES AS SECURITY OFFICERS IN GOVERNMENT INSTITUTIONS

Motion made and Question proposed—

THAT, aware that approximately 18,000 youth graduate from the National Youth Service (NYS) annually; further aware that, Article 55 of the Constitution requires the State to take measures, including affirmative action programmes to ensure that the youth access training, employment and opportunities to participate fully in the social, economic and political life of the nation; appreciating that, the Government has in the recent years rolled out deliberate programmes aimed at equipping NYS graduates with skills for employment into the disciplined services and key sectors which include agriculture, construction and security; noting that, government institutions continue to engage private security firms to supplement uniformed officers in providing security services, thereby incurring significant recurrent expenditure; further noting that, the NYS graduates possess foundational training in discipline, security awareness, public service ethics and emergency response, making them suitable for deployment within government institutions; recognising that, there is need to have a balanced approach that promotes youth employment through structured engagement of the NYS graduates, while preserving opportunities for private security firms to continue to operate and partner with government institutions; this House therefore **resolves** that the National government develops and implements a policy framework and guidelines to steer government ministries, departments, agencies, on—

- (i) prioritisation of engagement of the National Youth Service graduates to provide supplementary security services to public entities;
- (ii) the criteria for determination of a formula for allotment of a quota of provision of security services in public entities to the NYS graduates, and private security services firms; and
- (iii) modalities for structured recruitment, deployment and terms of service, including remuneration, training and career progression for NYS graduates engaged to provide supplementary security to government entities.

(Hon. Gertrude Mbeyu)

Debate arising;

And the time being two minutes past One O'clock, the Fifth Chairperson of Committees interrupted debate and adjourned the House without Question put pursuant to the Standing Orders.

12. HOUSE ROSE - at two minutes past One O'Clock.

M E M O R A N D U M

The Speaker will take the Chair on-
Wednesday, 14th October 2026 at 2.30 pm

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